

AGENDA



Thursday, November 20, 2008

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 43**

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a contract through the Texas Multiple Award Schedule (TXMAS) with ACE FLOOR SOLUTIONS, LLC, San Antonio, TX for the purchase and installation of office carpeting at Austin Energy's Town Lake Center in an amount not to exceed \$85,729.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$85,729 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

For More Information: Sandy Calles, Buyer Sr., 322-6487.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). This contract is a Cooperative Purchase; therefore, it is exempted under Chapter 791 of the Texas Local Government Code and no goals were established for this solicitation.

This purchase is for the removal and replacement of carpet in Austin Energy's (AE) Town Lake Center third floor which accommodates AE's Customer Service staff. With some services provided on a 24-hour basis and many employees working in this area, there is a high level of wear on the carpet.

The contractor will provide and install approximately 2,248 square yards of carpet. The service includes removing and recycling the existing carpet. The contractor will provide a lift system to lift the existing furniture for installation of the new carpet. The carpet will be installed in phases during non-standard business hours to ensure continuation of high quality customer service and minimize downtime of employees.

Ace Floor Solutions, LLC is under contract through TXMAS to provide these products and services to other public entities statewide. This cooperative purchasing program is coordinated by the State of Texas, Comptroller of Public Accounts and allows the City to use TXMAS contracts that have been developed from contracts that were competitively bid and awarded by the General Services Administration's Federal Supply Service.